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ACTIVE PYRROLE IMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVE

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AMENDMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated October 2, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 20 and 21 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, directed to claims 1-19, as that Group is defined in the Office letter. Non-elected claims 20 and 21 have been

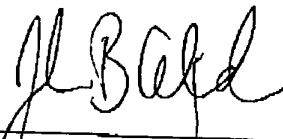
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cancelled by the instant amendment without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more divisional applications.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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